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KEWAUNEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PASSES REVIEW BY STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS

(MADISON, September 1, 2005)—Deputy Administrator Herb Bostrom announced that the Kewaunee County Health Department has successfully passed the state's health department review.

"The Kewaunee County Health Department is working to make their community a healthier and safer place to live," said Bostrom. "Their department has an actively engaged and supportive Board of Health, and does an excellent job of engaging community partners to improve the health of families."

State and regional level officials from the Division of Public Health conducted an on-site review, and as a result, the Kewaunee County Health Department will maintain its Level II status.

The Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services is required to formally review the operations of all 94 Wisconsin local health departments at the county or municipality level at least every five years. The review establishes the health department as a level I, II or III agency. A level I agency meets the minimum requirements and a level III agency meets the maximum requirements established for a local health department.

The Kewaunee County Health Department provides services important to the community, such as:

- WIC, a nutrition education and food supplement program for women, infants and children
- Adult Immunization Program
- Coordination with state and local partners to assure public health is prepared to respond to emergencies

For information about the Kewaunee County Health Department, visit: http://www.kewauneeco.org/subpages/Departments/index.html

For contact information for Wisconsin's local health departments, visit: http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/localhealth/index.htm

For information about the state health plan, *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010*, visit: http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/statehealthplan/

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